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Catholic University Postpones Campaign For Endowment Fund

Bishops Interested in Great Educational Institution Tell of Serious Conditions in Their Dioceses, and Urge Abandonment of Big Drive for Funds— Collections to Be Taken Up.

DEPRESSION HAS INCREASED BURDEN OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES EVERYWHERE

Washington, D. C., Aug. 21.—“The Catholic University of America is the one effective instrument of the Hierarchy of the Catholic Church in America, national in its scope, which must be properly equipped and prepared to conquer the paganism of the modern world,” the Most Rev. John J. Glennon, Archbishop of St. Louis, presiding at the recent Atlantic City conference, told the prelates comprising the University expansion program committee. “We have only to read what is passing through our legislatures, what is the program of the modern home, to be convinced that only through education, through the support and expansion of the University can we succeed and we must be successful if we would save ourselves.”

The prelates, representing widely diversified parts of the country, discussed at length the social, economic and industrial conditions prevailing in their dioceses. Recognizing the existing conditions and the present depression throughout the country, it was agreed at the Atlantic City conference that no general campaign or “drive” shall be undertaken and only such steps as will bring to the attention of the faithful the services to the Church of its national University at Washington, and the urgent need for certain immediate financial support, is contemplated.

Conditions are serious in the present state of the mill cities of New England, particularly Fall River, as presented by Bishop James E. Cassidy of that city, who anticipated many calls on religious organizations because of the curtailment and, often, suspension of city welfare activities. The parochial schools may be called upon to take the overflow of the public schools, for the State Commission controlling the city has dismissed more than 150 school teachers and has raised the school age from five to six years.

Knights of Columbus Hold Their Supreme Convention In Indiana at French Lick

Forty-Ninth Annual Gathering Attracts Hundreds of Delegates, Members and Friends—Annual Report of Secretary Shows Membership Loss in Year of 27,187.

French Lick, Ind., Aug. 21.—The 49th annual supreme convention of the Knights of Columbus opened here on Sunday evening and was brought to a close on Wednesday this week. The convention attracted several hundred delegates from all parts of the United States, Canada, Mexico, Cuba and the Philippine Islands, and many hundred members of the order and their wives and friends. This was the first time in the history of the Knights of Columbus that any city in Indiana had the opportunity of playing host to the Order.

Heretofore all of the annual meetings of the supreme council have been held in large cities. Boston, New York and Milwaukee the year before, and Cleveland, which is a small resort town, is an experiment which the Knights believe will work out happily for all concerned. A vast amount of business must be transacted by the supreme officers and the convention committee that the business sessions could be speeded up if the convention were held at a place free from the distractions of the metropolitan centers.

Losses in Membership. William J. McGinley, supreme secretary of the order, for many years, presented an exhaustive annual report, covering the membership, the finances and the work of the order in the past year. The report on memberships shows 2,576 Councils in 1931, as against 2,555 in 1930; 261,553 insurance members in 1931, as against 254,794 in 1930, a gain of 6,759 members and 329,871 associate members in 1931, as against 363,817 in 1930, a loss in associate membership of 33,946 for the year, making a net loss of 27,187 for the year. There were recorded 45,051 suspensions of which 3,355 were insurance and 41,695 were associate members, and of these, reinstatements were received for 209 insurance members and 2,351 associate members, or a total of 2,560. During the year 635 insurance members and 5,319 associate members, a total of 5,954, withdrew. The net lapse by suspension averaged 7.0 per cent. as a whole, the insurance being 12 per cent and the associate 11.3 per cent. Suspensions, as in previous years, constituted the principal item of loss. Deaths reported during the year were 2,046 insurance members and 4,144 associate members, a total of 6,190. 110 insurance members transferred to associate membership, while 347 associate members transferred to insurance membership. The total disbursements for the year amounted to \$3,614,827.84. Of this amount \$1,247,801.95 was for the payment of death and half-maturity benefits; \$7,560 covered investment expenses; \$1,194,135.22 was expended out of the General



MARTIN H. CARMODY
Fund for the operation of the Order: \$67,763.42. Italian Welfare Fund: \$10,580.36. Fourth Degree Fund: Mexican Fund, \$6,662.64; Correspondence School Fund, \$22,710.85; War Fund, \$21,997.93; \$7,450 for relief work and \$28,226.87 for amortization, etc., of premium on bonds less net profits realized on sale of bonds.
Assets of Order
The total assets of the Order on June 30, 1931, amounted to \$35,111,311.24 exclusive of Special Funds. Of this amount \$20,899.60 was in cash; \$32,199,331.50 in bonds and mortgages; \$270,250.29 on deposit with insurance departments, to comply with statutory requirements; \$46,592.96 represented investment in the land and building at the Home Office in New Haven; \$109,039.36 represented the cost of equipment of the Home Office Building and Printing Plant, while \$44,414.89 was with the Printing Department, Special Agents, etc., in the form of revolving funds. The remainder of the assets consisted of \$13,773.92 due from advertisers, \$517,310.57 from subordinate councils; and \$287,098.15 due for assessment credit liens and automatic assessment loans and interest. The increase in assets for the year amounted to \$2,453,811.33.
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Making a Study of Unemployment, Hoping to Help

WASHINGTON—Unemployment insurance was studied in detail by United States Senator Felix H. Frankfurter, who has been conferring lately on the subject with the President Hoover and members of his cabinet. He recently concluded a survey in Europe. No authoritative statement has come from the White House but the Administration is thought to be opposed to insurance for the unemployed lest it become unsatisfactory as the present dole system in England. Numerous economists, many Catholic priests and professors, however, have come out in recent years for some form of unemployment insurance.

Pontiff Names Cardinal Hayes to Church Group

Pope Pius XI Designates Him as a Member of the Congregation for the Oriental Church

Vatican City, Aug. 21.—Pope Pius XI recently nominated Cardinal Hayes of New York a member of the Congregation for the Oriental Church, which handles Church affairs in Russia and the Near East. The Congregation for the Oriental Church is one of 12 Congregations charged with the administration of the various activities of the faith. Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of New York, has for sometime been president of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, a national organization established in this country in 1918 by Pope Pius X to aid his efforts to bring the schismatic churches of the Orient back into union with the Roman Catholic Church.

Pope Blesses Membership of The C. D. of A.

Special Apostolic Blessing Follows Pledges of Loyalty and of Help Made at Convention.

New York, Aug. 21.—A special Apostolic Blessing has been bestowed upon the entire membership of the Catholic Daughters of America by His Holiness Pope Pius XI, according to cabled messages just received here by Supreme Regent Mary C. Duffy, from His Eminence, Cardinal Pacelli, Vatican Secretary of State. The special Apostolic Blessing of the Holy Father follows the 14th biennial supreme international convention of the Catholic Daughters, which was held recently at Atlantic City, N. J. In the cable Cardinal Pacelli stated that Pope Pius was overjoyed at the text of messages of loyalty, fealty and devotion and pledges of support and constancy to the Holy Father from the Catholic Daughters, dispatched from their supreme convocation.

Pirates, Floods, Bother Priests in Mission Work

Very Rev. James A. Walsh of Maryknoll Says They Are Unpleasant Enemies to Work in China

New York, Aug. 21.—The Very Rev. James Anthony Walsh, superior general of the Maryknoll American Overseas Missions, in a Radio address over Station WJLB Sunday, told about the work of missionary priests in China. He recently returned from a stay in that land, during which he acquired knowledge of two unpleasant features of Chinese life—pirates and floods. The activities of the pirates were recounted to him by a fellow-churchman, who narrated how they had taken possession of a large boat bound from Shanghai to Tientsin, robbed the passengers after shooting the captain, and then forced the vessel off its course so that they might reach their haunts ashore. The knowledge of floods was acquired in a more personal manner, which included an escape from an inundated area by boat, the speaker said. The Maryknoll Fathers in South China have an enrollment of nearly 200 native youths, whose ambition is to be priests, Father Walsh said.

Last Founder Of K. O. Order Dies Suddenly

Cornelius T. Driscoll, Sole Survivor of Original Incorporators, Succumbs to Heart Disease

New Haven, Aug. 21.—Time, moving with relentless speed, took from him on Saturday the last survivor of the original founders and incorporators of the Knights of Columbus, Hon. Cornelius T. Driscoll, who died of heart disease. His summer home at Millard, Conn., with a little band of country and friends, Mr. Driscoll helped organize more than two score years ago what was designed to be a Catholic insurance fraternity, to help workingmen obtain financial protection and enjoy fraternal comradeship. They bulled better than they knew for this little society is now one of the great fraternities of the world, and one of the strongest and most fraternal insurance organizations in the world.

Welfare Worker Among Speakers At Third Order

San Francisco—While most of the speakers at the national convention of the Third Order of St. Francis were priests and laymen, one prominent speaker was a welfare worker from the city of San Francisco, Mrs. Catherine Mary McDonough, who is a member of the Council of the Order of St. Francis, San Francisco, Calif.

Ireland is Host To Louis Wiley of New York City

Dublin, Aug. 21.—Louis Wiley, business manager of the New York Times, who arrived in the Free State Monday, after visiting Lord Londonderry at Mount Stewart, County Down, was the guest of the Irish Government at a dinner at the Shelbourne Hotel Monday evening. Ernest Blythe, vice-president of the Executive Council, presided in the absence of President Cosgrave, who is on vacation. The Governor-General and Mrs. McNeill gave a luncheon in Mr. Wiley's honor at vice-regal lodge Wednesday. Later he was the guest of the Earl of Meath. Thursday Mr. Wiley had lunch with the American Minister at the legation, and the following day he visited Kilkenny Castle at the guest of the Earl of Osborny. Monday night Mr. Wiley gave a radio talk from a Dublin station, referring to the many eminent Irishmen who have played a prominent part in America's public life.

Two Churches Burned In Vera Cruz By Mobs

Doors, Windows and Altars Sprayed With Gasoline and Set on Fire—Efforts Made to Continue Reign of Terror—Masonic Lodge Enters Into the Dispute in Durango.

Mexico City, Aug. 21.—A group of anti-clericals set fire to the principal altar, paintings and other valuable objects in La Pastora Church—Church of the Good Shepherd—in the port of Vera Cruz after midnight Monday, according to telegrams published in Mexico City newspapers. Considerable alarm has been caused by the incident. The anti-clericals entered the church from roofs of nearby houses and started the fire with gasoline-soaked waste. The fire was not extinguished until 8:30 a. m. It did a great deal of damage to the church, completely destroyed the beautiful altar and valuable paintings and statues. This act is considered another step in the efforts of the state authorities to cause a reign of terror among the Catholics in the state, and to terrify priests and their parishioners. The new law limiting the number of priests to one for every

A Great Actor



GEORGE M. COLMAN
The 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington will be celebrated next year, and in honor of that event George M. Colman, noted song writer, playwright and actor, has written a new song, “Father of the Land We Love.” We bet it will be a good one.

Race, Religion, Age And Other Prejudices Harmful to Teachers

Director of Educational Service of Teachers' College, Columbia University, Announces Results of Survey Made by Him in Educational Institutions of Catholics and Jews

New York, Aug. 21.—A sweeping arraignment of conditions under which many school teachers are employed was announced today by Clyde K. Miller, director of Educational Service, Teachers' College, Columbia University, announcing the results of a survey recently made by him of the existing conditions in the public schools of the country. The elements of prejudice involving the race, religion, age and political views of teachers have a widespread effect in the hiring of many teachers, with the result that upon many thousands of American school children are employed teachers who are prejudiced against their own race, religion or political views. In countless instances teachers were employed not on the basis of their competence but because they could run the gauntlet of many prejudices which, according to Mr. Miller, were deep-seated in the social and economic structure.

Six Brothers, Great-Grandsons of Southern Hero, Admitted to Klan

Tusculum, Ala., Aug. 21.—In this little Alabama town six brothers at least once a year serve Mass together in the quiet little Catholic wayside chapel. They are great-grandsons of Admiral Raphael Semmes, most celebrated naval commander of the Confederacy in the Civil War, who was a Catholic and whose name is one of those carved on Stone Mountain. Catholics in the area and surroundings notably different by Catholics, the six brothers' most cherished religious devotion and tradition is serving at midnight Mass on Christmas Eve in the little chapel nestled among the Alabama hills, the only church in Tusculum since the Klan burned down the town's Catholic church some four years ago. Six Maslly boys.

Officers Named By Abstinence Union of America

Rev. Edward J. Lyng of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia, Succeeds Rev. Peter J. O'Callaghan

Torrington, Conn., Aug. 21.—The Rev. Edward J. Lyng of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia, was elected president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America to succeed the Rev. Peter J. O'Callaghan of Oakland, N. J., who died suddenly in his hotel rooms here shortly after his arrival for the annual convention of the Union. Medical Examiner H. B. Hanchett said death was due to acute indigestion. Other officers elected included: Thomas Nolan, Pittsfield, Mass., first vice-president; Mrs. L. M. Ryan, Baltimore, third vice-president; Thomas McClosky, Danbury, Conn., national secretary, and Thomas Fitzgerald, Philadelphia, treasurer.

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